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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q66292

Takahiro NAKA

Appln. No.: 09/955,048

Group Art Unit: 2876

Confirmation No.: 8499

Examiner: Lisa M. CAPUTO

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For: OPTIONAL PART FOR APPARATUS, APPARATUS HAVING OPTIONAL PART, ACCESS  
DEVICE, METHOD FOR DISTRIBUTING OPTIONAL PART AND INK CARTRIDGE

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Careful consideration has been given to the Official Action dated October 4, 2005 and particularly to the election/restriction requirements therein.

Pursuant thereto, applicant elects without traverse the invention designated by Invention I inclusive of claims 1-13.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected Invention II.

It is respectfully requested that examination of the above application proceed on the basis of the election which has been made.

Respectfully submitted,

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